UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

JONATHON JONES,		
Petitioner,		
v.		Case No. 18-13387
GREG SKIPPER,		
Respondent.	/	

ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO STAY PROCEEDINGS AND ADMINISTRATIVELY CLOSING THE CASE

Pending before the court is a Motion to Stay Proceedings (Dkt. #3) filed by *pro se* petitioner Jonathon Jones regarding his Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus (Dkt. #1). Jones is seeking return of his legal paperwork from the Michigan Reformatory, where he is currently incarcerated, and requests a stay so that he may exhaust his administrative and state court remedies as required by 28 U.S.C. § 2254. (Dkt. #3, PageID 29.) The court will stay the case to allow him to do this. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED that Petitioner's Motion to Stay (Dkt. #3) is GRANTED, and the habeas petition is STAYED.

Petitioner shall file a motion to lift the stay and any amended petition in this court that he may wish to file within sixty days after the conclusion of the state court proceedings. Failure to comply with any of the conditions of the stay could result in the dismissal of the habeas petition. *Calhoun v. Bergh*, 769 F.3d 409, 411 (6th Cir. 2014).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, to avoid administrative difficulties, the Clerk of Court is DIRECTED to close this case. Nothing in this order or in the related docket

entry shall be considered a dismissal of this matter. Upon receipt of a motion to lift the stay following exhaustion of state remedies, the court shall order the Clerk to reopen this case.

s/Robert H. Cleland ROBERT H. CLELAND UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Dated: January 24, 2019

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing document was mailed to counsel of record on this date, January 24, 2019, by electronic and/or ordinary mail.

<u>s/Lisa Wagner</u> Case Manager and Deputy Clerk (810) 292-6522

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